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In re Application of:  
Stuart, et al.  
Application No. 09/366,114  
Filed: August 2, 1999  
For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING  
A SERVICE TO A CUSTOMER VIA A  
COMMUNICATION LINK

DECISION ON PETITION  
TO MAKE SPECIAL

This is a decision on the petition to make special filed on July 22, 2002 under MPEP 708.02 (IV), applicant's age.

A petition to make special under MPEP 708.02, IV, must show that petitioner is 65 years of age, or more. Acceptable evidence includes a birth certificate, copy of a driver's license, or simply a statement by the applicant. No fee is required.

The petition includes a statement by applicant. Accordingly, the petition is **GRANTED**.

The application will retain its special status throughout its entire prosecution, including any appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, subject only to diligent prosecution by the applicant.

The application will be forwarded to the examiner for action on the merits.

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